

**You've heard the stories and tall tales, but nothing comes close to the actual experience. The Yuma dove season-opener on Sept. 1 is a life-changing event that will keep you coming back for more.**



**Show up early. The day before the season opener is a flurry of activity. People buy licenses, stamps, ammo and even new guns. They reconnect and reminisce with family and friends. Preparations are made for the next morning's hunt over meals at local diners and restaurants.**

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**Generations of families converge upon Yuma each year. Dove hunting is a tradition you share with friends and pass down to your children and grandchildren. At the end of the day, it's about watching the sunrise and spending time together afield. The memories made will count for more than the number of birds in the bag.**





The only thing better than shooting a limit of doves is eating your limit of doves. Most of the hotels in Yuma provide onsite cleaning stations and barbecues. Some restaurants will clean and prepare your harvest for a paltry fee.







Camouflage and hunter orange are the official colors of opening day. You see them everywhere. Remember to stop by Sprague's Sports and enter your best dove in this year's 24th annual Big (dove) Breast Contest.







**As the sun sets on your journey, you'll wonder why you waited so long to experience the Yuma dove season-opener. But have no regrets. The doves, the city and the familiar faces and places will welcome you once again, come Sept. 1.**

